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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Applicant : S. M. Meginniss III et al
Serial No : 09/316,990
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Cancel claims 6 and 8.

Amend the following claims:

1. (twice amended) An article for use in treatment of xerostomia, comprising:

a driver assembly capable of producing a vibrating action at a drive frequency;

a stimulator assembly operatively connected to said driver assembly such that the stimulator assembly vibrates in response to operation of the driver assembly, the stimulator assembly including a stimulator member for vibrating a salivary member, wherein the vibration of the stimulator member has such a frequency and amplitude and wherein the stimulator member is so configured and arranged, including a plurality of cylindrical finger elements having rounded top portions with a selected length within